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ARMY DETERMINED TO GET BERGDOLL

Gen. March Says Slackers Will Be Brought Back 'at Any Price.'

STEPS ARE REVEALED

Will Make Formal Demand for His Return When Peace Is Declared.

AID OF ENGLAND ASKED

Testimony Shows That Romig and Mrs. Bergdoll Obtained \$105,000 in Gold.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD, New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 9.

G. C. Bergdoll, slacker, is entirely wrong if he thinks he can remain in Germany as a fugitive from justice. Major-General March to-day informed the special House committee investigating the draft dodger's escape that the United States Army is determined to get him back "at any price."

In secret session Gen. March disclosed to the committee what steps now are being taken to effect Bergdoll's extradition. He gave every indication that present plans of the Administration are to make a formal demand on Germany for the slacker's surrender as soon as the technical state of war between the two countries is ended, in case his return is not accomplished by that time.

Mrs. Bergdoll, the slacker's mother, will be called by the committee to explain what she knows about his escape.

At present the Administration is negotiating through the British and Canadian governments, Major Henry T. Allen, commanding the American Army of Occupation, and Loring Dresel, American Commissioner at Berlin. Gen. March is understood to have informed the committee that Great Britain and Canada have been asked to demand his extradition because he escaped to Germany on forged Canadian passports. Up to the present time it is understood that the governments have not shown a disposition to become involved in the case. The first request was met with a suggestion that this Government should supply more information, it was learned.

Held Up by State of War.

Gen. March informed the committee that the United States could not formally demand Bergdoll because of the state of war setting aside extradition treaties and could not send a force of soldiers after him because this would violate the terms of the armistice, which prohibit any military operations outside the occupied zones.

"Bergdoll is only one of 150,000 draft dodgers, but he is a very bad specimen," said Gen. March. "We are determined to get him back at any price. The two Americans who attempted to capture him in violation of international law have our entire sympathy. It would have been very satisfactory to me personally at least, if they had succeeded and turned Bergdoll over to the American Army of Occupation. The two Americans who made the attempt were ex-army men, formerly attached to the bureau of military investigation. When news of their work reached here I offered to assume all responsibility for their action, but this was not necessary because they were not members of the army."

"Who was it that apologized to Germany for their action?" Representative Lohrning (Ind.) asked.

"Gen. Allen," Gen. March replied. "He did so on his own responsibility. He did right according to international practices."

"Would you have apologized?"

"Not a bit," Gen. March said he discussed the release of Bergdoll to hunt "the pot of gold" for less than a minute with Adjutant-General Harris, and instructed him to grant the request if he deemed wise.

\$105,000 in Gold Taken Out.

Testimony to-day confirmed reports that James E. Romig and Mrs. Bergdoll were able to get \$105,000 in gold out of the Treasury in October and November, 1919, when it was generally supposed gold withdrawals were prohibited.

Bergdoll said this was the gold which he buried.

W. L. Alexander, Treasury Department teller, told how Romig came to the Treasury three times with big bundles of Federal Reserve notes and demanded gold.

"I naturally refused to give him gold

TO MAKE FLOWERS BLOOM, JUST PLAY 'OH, PROMISE ME'

They Must Have Music in Their Daily Diet to Thrive, Something With a Heart Appeal, Declares F. C. Billings at Chicago Convention.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD, CHICAGO, May 9.—Music, the universal language, was described as a marvellous tonic in a new sphere of healing to-day. It was at the opening meeting of the music trades convention, 5,000 men and women being in attendance.

"Housewives haven't been considering of their plants and flowers," said F. C. Billings, president of a Milwaukee music company. "I just can't keep flowers in my house. They complain, and they look so lovely, too."

"Well, no wonder—just as the human being to be healthy and jubilant requires nourishment complete in essential proteins and fats, so the roses, violets, lilies, petunias and begonias simply must have music in their daily diet."

"Try it, my friend. Put a vase of roses on your piano at home and then softly and lovingly play Reginald de Koven's 'Oh, Promise Me' or 'Annie Laurie' or 'Then You'll Remember Me,' something that has a heart appeal, not this immoral, insane jazz. And watch those flowers blossom out and blush with pleasure. The caressing notes of the music create sympathetic waves that stimulate the roses. I have tried music on flowers and I know it will work."

Would a photograph in the back yard garden help the shy onions, radishes and beans? Mr. Billings didn't know.

Jazz is the evil spirit of music, declared Dr. Frank E. Morton, chairman of the music industries committee. "Jazz," said Dr. Morton, "expresses hysteria and incites to idleness, revelry, dissipation, destruction, discord and chaos. It accords with the devastating, volcanic spirit that has burst forth over the world in the last six years."

"Seldom do you hear 'Home, Sweet Home' sung now. Formerly it dropped in upon us in concert encores and quiet social and family gatherings. And every rendition of it reacted on the cerebral tissue of those who sang and to a lesser extent on those who listened. 'With 'Home, Sweet Home' silenced home itself tends to disappear. With home swallowed up in the cabaret the great stabilizing centre of society is lost."

and he went to my superiors," said Mr. Alexander. "Later he came back with an order from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Leftingwell and I gave him the gold. On one trip he got \$25,000, on another \$50,000 and on a third \$30,000. The Treasury by the diplomatic manner of making as much trouble as possible for those who demanded gold was seeking to prevent its withdrawal, but I suppose they decided that if gold were demanded for Federal Reserve notes, there was nothing else to do but pay it."

Committee members questioned whether Federal Reserve notes required gold payment and Mr. Alexander insisted this was the case. He testified that the Bergdoll money was brought mostly in \$10 and \$20 notes and that it required two hours to count the \$100,000 bundle. All three times Romig's count was short, he said. Romig and Mrs. Bergdoll carried out 240 pounds in gold as the result of the \$100,000 exchange, he said.

Slacker Taunts Officials. Bergdoll has made himself chairman of his own "committee on publicity."

He is now regularly supplying Secretary of War Weeks and Chairman Kahn of the House Military Affairs Committee, with copies of German newspapers which have stories regarding him. To-day one was received by Mr. Kahn from Eberbach with an account of the release of Neuf and Zimmer, the two Americans who attempted his capture in Philadelphia, were personally addressed by the slacker. In the one received to-day, which was a copy of the *Eberbacher Zeitung*, Bergdoll had marked an editorial comment referring to American "persecution" of Germans. One sentence as translated by Mr. Kahn read:

"An emigrant from Eberbach to America is at this time in flight from there far from his dear ones because he is persecuted on account of his expressions regarding his love for Germany."

SOLDIER HURT IN FALL ATTEMPTING ESCAPE

Blanket Rope Parts Trying to Get From Island Prison.

In an attempt to escape from Castle William, the military prison on Governors Island, Sunday, Private Lee R. Jenkins fell sixty feet and is now in the military hospital on the island. Jenkins was awaiting transportation to Fort Leavenworth, to serve a term for assault and the theft of a watch while at Camp Dix. During the recreation period on Sunday evening, he sawed through an iron bar and mounted the circular staircase to the top of the prison, carrying with him six blankets. He knotted these and attempted to climb down, not knowing they would not reach half the distance. A knot parted and he fell. He was found unconscious with a fractured hip, ankle and nose and other injuries.

COUPLE SUICIDES IN HOME.

GRUENE, N. Y., May 9.—Ellisha Hotchkiss and his wife, of this village, were found dead in their home to-day, the former having leaped down an open stairway after fastening a rope about his neck with the other end tied at the top. The woman was dead in bed and

JOHN McNAMARA ENDS PRISON TERM TO-DAY

Serves Nine Years for Blowing Up Iron Works.

SAN QUENTIN, May 9.—John J. McNamara will be released from the State prison here to-morrow after having served nine years for dynamiting the Llewellyn Iron Works at Los Angeles.

He has been invited to address a meeting of his former union, the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, in San Francisco Wednesday night. McNamara was secretary of the international organization of the union.

His brother, James B. McNamara, is serving a life sentence for murder in connection with the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building October 1, 1910.

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FOUND BY HER CHILDREN

Diamonds Ripped From Fingers and Silverware Left Behind as Assaults Flee.

Mrs. Polly Jacobs of 1479 Hoe avenue, The Bronx, was struck on the head with a blackjack late yesterday afternoon when she opened the door of her apartment on the third floor of the house at that address. She was cut and her skull was fractured, but she remained conscious long enough to scream before falling to the floor.

The scream was heard by Mrs. Fannie Plotkin, who lives on the same floor, and she came to her door to find out what had happened. As she stepped into the hallway the door of the Jacobs apartment opened from a shopping trip, opened the door and surprised them.

The burglars were found lying alongside Mrs. Jacobs' body the blackjack with which she had been struck and the stones from the four diamond rings she had worn on her fingers. The burglars evidently had removed them from the settings, but dropped them in their excitement. The police also found that the burglars had wrapped all of the silverware in the apartment in a sheet and placed it in a corner ready to carry away. Apparently they had been leaving when Mrs. Jacobs, returning from a shopping trip, opened the door and surprised them.

The burglary was the third in the vicinity during the last week, and caused a great deal of excitement. Last night several hundred people stood in the street before the Jacobs home or wandered up and down until the police from the Simpson street station had to be called to drive them away.

RADICALS UNDERMINE COLLEGES, IS CHARGE

Lusk Report Says Socialists Are Teaching Bolshevism.

The complete report of the Lusk committee which investigated seditious activities was made public here yesterday. There are four volumes of 1,000 pages each.

American colleges, it is charged, are honeycombed with avowed Socialist professors, whose teachings are Bolshevism and subversive of democratic ideals and institutions. "While the negro in general has been well treated in New York State," the report says, "the ill treatment accorded him in other parts of the country has engendered a spirit of resentment which has been kept alive by the agents and agitators of the Socialist party of America, the Industrial Workers of the World and other radical groups."

SHOT BY BANDIT IN BOWERY FILM HOUSE

Manfredono Was Fighting to Retain Diamond Ring and Watch.

HAD GIVEN THEM \$500

Lured From Seat to Washroom by Message Brother Was Waiting.

Edward Manfredono of 371 Broome street was sitting in the Atlantic Garden Moving Picture Theatre in 50 Bowery last night shortly before 8 o'clock when a man walked in, touched him on the shoulder and said his brother wished to see him in the rear of the auditorium. According to the story told the police, Manfredono followed the man into the washroom, where he was set upon by several others and robbed of \$500 in cash.

The bandits tried to steal Manfredono's watch and diamond ring, but he resisted, and when they ran he pursued them through the auditorium into the lobby of the theatre. There the men stopped, and when Manfredono tried to seize one of them the man fired two shots, one striking Manfredono in the abdomen. He fell to the floor and the bandits ran into the Bowery and escaped.

The shots caused considerable excitement in the theatre, and attendants explained what had happened, and as a precaution opened the emergency exits, but no panic resulted. Manfredono told Patrolman Otto Heppner on the way to Volunteer Hospital he did not know who had shot him, but a few minutes later said, "I don't see why they shot me; I gave them everything they asked for."

DR. BARUCH BETTER; WRITES OUT A SPEECH

Family Reports a Decided Change in His Condition.

Members of the family of Dr. Simon Baruch of 51 West Seventieth street, who is suffering from an ailment of the lungs, following a heart attack some time ago, said last night they were very much pleased with his improved condition. There has been a decided change for the better and Dr. Baruch was resting comfortably.

Dr. Baruch is 82 years old. He told members of his family that he expected to recover from his illness and live a great many years longer. He is president of the American Association for the Promotion of Hygienic and Public Baths, which meets to-day at Brookline, Mass., and when he found that his illness would prevent him delivering his annual address he insisted upon writing it. He did this at the time when his condition was most dangerous and it will be read at the meeting.

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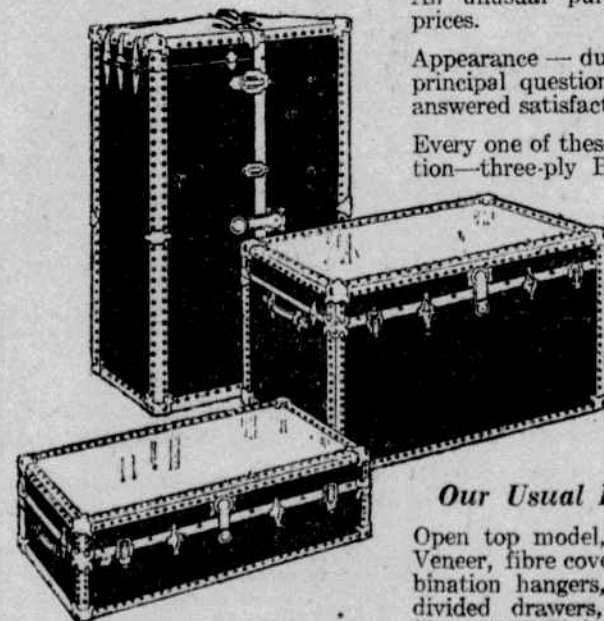
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